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For: ADENOVECTOR PHARMACEUTICAL
COMPOSITION

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-identified patent application, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

AMENDMENTS

IN THE TITLE:

Replace the title with:

ADENOVECTOR PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITION

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

At page 1, line 1, insert:

This patent application is a continuation of copending U.S. Patent
Application No. 08/258,416, filed June 10, 1994.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-35 and add the following claims:

36. (New) A pharmaceutical composition comprising recombinant adenoviral vectors and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, wherein each recombinant adenoviral vector is deficient in one or more essential gene functions of one or more regions of the adenoviral genome selected from the group consisting of the E1, E2A, and E4 regions of the